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TOWN MEETINGS AND SPECIAL DATES

MAR 31 - **NEWSLETTER Deadline** for the
May issue, 12 NOON

APR 12 - **COUNCIL MEETING** (Budget)

APR 19 - **COUNCIL MEETING** (Budget)

APR 30 - **NEWSLETTER Deadline** for the
June issue, 12 NOON

Town meetings begin at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. All interested residents are encouraged to attend. Interpreting services can be provided with a request made ten days in advance. **Agenda for Council Meetings is posted on the Town's website as well as on the bulletin board outside the Town Hall on the Friday before each Meeting.**

FROM THE MAYOR

JOHN ROGARD TABORI

As I write this, winter finally seems to be ending. Snowdrops and crocuses have begun to emerge and numerous tree buds are beginning to burst their bonds. It has been a **SURPRISINGLY TOUGH WINTER** with record-breaking amounts of snowfall -- well over 60 inches -- giving new meaning to the term "a 100-year storm." While there is a certain amount of beauty associated with snowfall,

there also can be devastating damage. Many of us, including the Town itself, had to take down trees (or still may have to) because of snow damage. As a Tree City, the Town will initiate an enhanced planting schedule the next three years; we urge you to consider this too. If you plan to **REPLACE LOST TREES** this spring/fall, please take advantage of the Town program for residents that will subsidize up to \$300 per tree for planting up to three shade trees. The Town maintains a list of shade trees that are suitable for planting in our area. Copies of the list are available on the web site (www.upmd.org at Documents then Tree Committee) or at the Town Hall.

Thanks to a safety net of reserves, the Town's financial picture was not too severely damaged by the snowstorms. We were pleased to hear that the Town will be reimbursed for some of the funds expended, possibly half, by FEMA. However the more difficult and longer lasting problem may be **STREET DAMAGE**. The plowing and salting action combined with the pavement cracks (caused by ice expansion) has caused us to consider moving our street work schedule up to summer and fall 2010. This might help prevent far more extensive and expensive repairs in the future. The original plan was to begin street work in fall 2011/spring 2012, specifically on the streets where WSSC replaced water mains, and then move to the other streets needing attention. Now, it appears that order may need to be reversed. As part of next year's budget, I will propose that Council set aside up to \$250,000 for

curb, gutter, and street repairs for the damaged portions of Town streets not affected by WSSC.

STREET WORK: As many of you may have noticed, the work on the water mains often disrupts normal travel patterns. At this time, it appears that the work will continue through the fall and possibly into the first half of winter. And, in addition to this WSSC work (which should be completed before the 2010-2011 school year started), on **April 1st**, the State Highway Administration (SHA) will begin work on the East-West Highway/Queens Chapel/Adelphi Road intersection (slated to continue through October 2010). And, also on **April 1st**, SHA will begin the repairs on Route 1 between Town Hall and East-West Highway. This work will involve a complete restoration of the sidewalk on the Town side of Route 1 as well as a complete makeover of the street pavement itself. And finally, WSSC intends to install new water mains on the University Park side of Adelphi Road between East West Highway and Toledo Road -- and this work will start **sometime in April**. Because much of the work on these three projects will overlap, residents may encounter difficulties traveling in and out of Town. A map showing the work areas and the approximate work schedules is included in this issue of the NEWSLETTER. The information also will be available on the Town web site. The Town Hall will monitor the progress of this work continually; if you encounter an emergency or a problem, please do not hesitate to call. Usually, we can reach the agency or contractors involved and should be able to resolve the issue quickly.

A quick note on the **FY 2011 TOWN BUDGET SCHEDULE:** The Mayor's proposed budget will be submitted to the Council no later than March 31st. It will be posted on the web site within 24 hours of submittal to the Council. The Council will discuss the budget at the Council Meetings on **April 12th, April 19th**, and May 3rd. A formal Public Hearing is scheduled for the May 17th Meeting, with the budget to be adopted at the close of the Hearing. Any additional meetings and/or

changes in the schedule will be announced on the web site and in the May NEWSLETTER.

Finally, as many of you are aware, since last summer, the Town has been involved in intense negotiations over the terms and conditions of **THE DEVELOPMENT OF BELCREST PLAZA**. On March 11, we submitted an appeal of the M-NCPPC Planning Board's decision to grant the DSP and zoning change requested by the developer. As with the previous letters to the M-NCPPC Planning Board and staff, this recent appeal also has been posted on the Town web site.

NOTE: The development on the Belcrest Plaza site, as well as in other PG Plaza areas, **will impact heavily on the quality of life in UP AND on the value of our properties.**

We urge everyone interested in maintaining the quality of life we have in UP to READ THE APPEAL LETTER and **SERIOUSLY CONSIDER ATTENDING ONE OR MORE HEARINGS.** UP NEEDS YOU to show support for the Town and/or to make your voice heard. Please plan to attend the Hearing!

"Kick start a wonderful spring season with the 9th Annual Azalea Classic, stay healthy and safe, and . . . I hope to see you around Town!"



FROM THE CHIEF
MICHAEL WYNNYK

STAY ON TOP OF INTERNET SAFETY: Information technology continues to change at an incredible pace -- from home computer, to laptop, to PDA, to a cell phone that can do more than any computer over five years old. The information coming into our homes and offices through these electronic devices often is difficult to manage and impossible to stop while they're running. Internet information can be invaluable when used properly; however, an influx of violence, pornography, hate literature, exploitation, financial scams, and crime (often disguised as legitimate

information) is being sent rampantly through spamming filters.

Cell phones can be necessary tools. Many parents wouldn't think of sending a child to school without one. It's estimated that four out of five teens carry a cell phone and most teens use them to text messages. Keeping up with one's children is exhausting, but when technology is involved, it's almost impossible. Some experts estimate that children spend up to seven hours a day using electronic devices (computers, phones, and e-games). Kids have developed an entire culture of social interaction on the Internet. This can make it very difficult for parents to monitor children, especially when parents don't know with whom the kids are interacting, what is being said, or whether they're being exposed to inappropriate information.

The amount of inappropriate content on the Internet is staggering. There are over a million web sites available on line and numerous web pages attached to each site! Hundreds more appear on line daily and the information displayed is difficult to monitor or limit. Everyone with a cell phone, especially children and teens, should understand that a cell phone requires responsible behavior and that **text messages, IMs, photos, and e-mails** (once sent) **potentially could be made available to any one or every one of the billions of people on the World Wide Web!**

Ask your children if they've ever received a message on line that frightened them...and then, prepare yourself for a positive answer. So what's a parent to do? Young people (actually, any age person) should follow these 3 guidelines: ♦ **Never send a threatening message** to anyone. If you would not say something "in public," don't say it on line. ♦ **Never send a picture on line** that you wouldn't want your mother (or grandmother) to see. In some cases, people have faced criminal charges for sending graphic images. When camera phones became a standard option, new twists were added to parental phone monitoring. ♦ **Never share personal informa-**

tion on line with someone you don't know (and if you haven't met someone in person, then you do not know him/her well enough).

Parents must educate themselves with the dangers that children can face when texting or simply when using the Internet or a cell phone. Such information (to learn what your children are learning) also is available on the Internet. **Some useful on-line tools include:** ♦ text message decoders ♦ porn blockers ♦ scam detectors ♦ parental control features (blocking software ♦ monitoring programs). However, **parents also should be aware** that there are available on line, **FOR FREE**, "by-pass programs" for all of the aforementioned parental tools, as well as for **EVERY** safety program you can purchase!

SO, that said, the most important thing parents can do is to have good open communications with their children. Engage in family activities on the computer in a collective manner...and be a part of their Facebook, My Space, Twitter, etc. accounts. Encourage children to share with you, personally, any information they wish to put on the Internet "for everyone in the world to see."

THE UPPD E-LIST: This e-mail service gives residents crime alerts for incidents soon after they happen. To be added to the E-List, please provide the UPPD with your name, address, address, and a contact phone number. After doing so (by mail, e-mail, or telephone), you will be added to the UPPD E-List.

REGISTRY OF SEXUAL OFFENDERS: There are registered sexual offenders in our zip code. The State of Maryland has a free sexual offender notification service for any resident; call **1-866-559-8017** to be put on the call list or go online at the following website: <http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/>.

UPPD, 6724 Baltimore Ave., UP, 20782 (301-277-0050 or cell: 240-375-1077; or call the **P.G. County Dispatch: 301-333-4000** and ask for a UP officer to respond). For **Chief**

Mike Wynnyk, contact upchief@upmd.org or 301-277-0051. **ALL EMERGENCIES: dial 911.**

CRIME STATISTICS (Feb 1st to Feb 28th)

DATE	CRIME	BLOCK/STREET
Feb 1st	Theft from Auto	4300 Sheridan
Feb 10th	Theft from Auto	6700 WellsPky
Feb22nd	B & E	6400 Adelphi

Theft from Auto (At 3:30 PM):

Suspect/s entered an **UNLOCKED** 2001 Toyota Corolla and stole a backpack containing an I-Pod, a GPS unit, headphones and some clothing items. No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto (At 3:30 AM):

Suspect/s entered an unlocked 1999 Land Rover and stole a Tom-Tom GPS unit. No suspect/s were located. Two suspects had been observed looking into the vehicle and the police were notified. No suspect/s located. The investigation is ongoing.

Breaking & Entering (Between 6:30 AM and 6:40 PM): The homeowner arrived home and found the **UNLOCKED** rear sliding door open and property removed from the home. Suspect/s stole an Acer laptop computer and a small amount of cash. The UPPD searched the area for suspects and witnesses. The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information concerning these or any crimes committed in University Park should contact the UPPD immediately; all information will be kept strictly confidential.

❖ **PLEASE:** Remember to keep all your serial numbers, ID all your valuable property, and never leave valuables in your vehicles.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Be SURE to mark "University Park" on your Maryland income tax forms. Your Town services such as sanitation and police are paid

for partly by a share of our State taxes. The State **ONLY** provides us with this share, however, if University Park (and not Hyattsville) is designated as your residence. **Always use University Park as your legal address.**

NOTICE OF ELECTION

An Election

for the

Town of University Park

For the Offices of

Mayor

and

Council Members

for

Wards One, Three, and Seven

will be conducted on

TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010

8:00 AM to 8:00 PM at
Riverdale Presbyterian Church
6513 Queens Chapel Road

DEADLINE

TO FILE AS A CANDIDATE

or

TO REGISTER AS A NEW VOTER

is

Monday, April 5, 2010

NOTE: Residents wishing to vote in the upcoming Election must be:

- (1) a citizen of the United States,
- (2) eighteen years of age or older on the date of the Election,
- (3) a resident of University Park, and
- (4) registered to vote at least 30 days prior to the Election.

TO REGISTER: Contact the P.G. County Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 (TDD 301-627-3352) or the University Park Town Hall at 301-927-4262.

CANDIDATES: Contact the Town Hall for candidate packet.
WRITE-IN CANDIDACY DEADLINE: Thursday, April 29, 2010.

ITEMS TO NOTE

❖ **PERMIT PROCEDURE REMINDER:** It is standard operating procedure for all UP residents planning to initiate **ANY** construction projects on their property to check first with the Town Hall to determine whether a Town permit is necessary. And remember; without exception, **Town building permit applications and stamped County plans MUST be received in the Town Hall no later than 10 days before a Council meeting.** This allows time for your Ward CM to inspect the project.

❖ **UP LANDLORDS:** A rental license must be obtained by anyone intending to rent or lease a residence in University Park. All owners who reside in their home and rent to no more than one other person are exempt from the requirement. Rental licenses cost \$250 per year and provide a yearly inspection program for all licensed UP rental property. For questions about the license or law, please call the Town Office (301-927-4262).

❖ **IDENTIFY YOUR CAR WITH A U-P STICKER AND HELP STOP CRIME:** Pick up your blue and white "UP" car sticker/s at the Town Hall. One sticker per licensed car is available **FREE** for all University Park homeowners. All Town residents are asked to display one of these "UP" stickers on the driver's side of either their car's back bumper or low on the back window. **The stickers enable our Town police officers and other residents to recognize a UP vehicle immediately.** Town Hall office hours are from 9 AM-5 PM, Monday-Friday. Please bring a proof of residency. Talk to your Ward CM if you're not able to get to the Town Hall.

❖ **TOWN HOT-LINES:** For Town Field status updates: 301-927-4262-x-600. For general Town Bus info: 301-927-4262-x-601.

❖ **IT'S THE LAW:** All dogs and cats must be "on a leash" when away from their owner's property. Also, all dog walkers (kids to seniors) are required to bag their pup's

droppings. Bags should be disposed of in the pet owners' trash receptacles.

❖ **YARD WASTE** is collected each Monday in UP. Since yard waste is composted rather than taken to the landfill, it is important to **keep it free of trash, rocks, and other debris** that might damage the machinery. And NOTE: bamboo and vines (including ivy) are considered trash. Please bag vines and include with your Tuesday/Friday trash collections. To keep our Town looking beautiful, **put yard waste out only the evening before collection.**

❖ **BATTERY RECYCLING:** The U.S. Department of Transportation established new regulations for the handling, shipping, and transportation of dry cell batteries. So now, **ONLY Dry cell batteries weighing less than two (2) pounds** may be recycled at the UP Town Hall. Recyclers need to **pad the positive (+) end of each battery with a criss-cross or strip of tape.** Keeping a roll of electrical tape and small scissors near one's collection receptacle will help make the recycling preparation a snap (and ensure the batteries an uneventful journey to the recycling plant without fear of leaking, breaking, or catching on fire)!

❖ **BULK TRASH:** Visit www.upmd.org and click on "*Town Info*" and "*Contact Us*" to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday pick-up. Please wait to put items at the curb until your designated day. **NOTE:** A \$20 fee is assessed on each item that contains Freon, i.e. refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers, etc.

❖ **BLUE RECYCLING TOTE (Thursdays):** The bright blue wheeled tote for single-stream recycling is for collecting: ♦ MIXED PAPER: [Telephone books, Magazines, Boxes, Rinsed aseptic milk/juice cartons, Envelopes, Newspapers, etc.]; ♦ SOME METAL: [Aerosol cans, Aluminum foil, and Food & beverage containers of aluminum-bimetal-ferrous & iron-steel]; ♦ MANY PLASTICS: [Grocery bags, bubble wrap, shrink wrap & stretch film (all collected into one "bag ball"), Plastic glasses, cups, & tableware, Wide-mouth containers &

narrow-neck containers #1-7, Flower pots, and Rx containers]; ♦ ALL GLASS [except: mirrors, light bulbs, broken glass, and windowpanes]; and ♦ ALL CLOTHES HANGERS.

Please have your blue tote ready for collection each Thursday at 7 AM in the same manner and place as your green trash tote.

We DO NOT RECYCLE: The excepted glass listed previously ♦ Any auto parts, motor oil, or antifreeze containers ♦ Hazardous waste products ♦ Medical waste items ♦ Glass, china, or pottery tableware, & NEVER ♦ Any (hard or soft) **STYROFOAM**.

NOTE: All food & beverage containers and other recyclables must be rinsed clean of food and grease...or not recycled.

♦ **TRASH AND RECYCLING TOTES:**

Remember not to put out these items earlier than the night before your scheduled Tuesday/ Friday and Thursday pick-up days. Likewise, it is each resident's responsibility to return them from the curb the same day after pick-up. Totes stored outside must be out of view from the street, at the side or back of one's home. If the most convenient place to locate your totes is a visible one, consider installing attractive wooden surrounds, barrier walls, or lattice and plants to block their view.



UP BUS SERVICE & METRO SHUTTLE

Free door-to-door wheelchair-accessible bus service is available for Town senior citizens and handicapped residents who would like transportation to doctors' appointments, shopping, banking, Library or Community Center visits, club meetings, or to visit a neighbor across Town. Reserve your pick-up and return times on week days before 1 PM. Small Town groups also may use the bus for occasional excursions. **NOTE:** Please try to make bus reservations one week in advance so the driver's schedule may be arranged accordingly. Remember, destinations should be within about 5 miles of Town.

Each Tuesday at 10 AM, the Town Bus makes a trip to the Giant grocery store on East-West Highway across from the Plaza. Senior or handicapped residents interested in this **FREE door-to-door service** simply need to notify the Town Hall (301-927-4262) by Monday, the day before you wish to shop.

A **UP Metro shuttle service** runs on the half hour each weekday morning and afternoon from numerous stops in Town to and from the PG Plaza Metro Station. There are **seven morning runs from 6-9 AM** and **eight afternoon runs from 4:05-7:35 PM**. Get a map (showing the stops) at the Town Hall or at www.upmd.org under "Other Documents."

[Ed. NOTE: "Highlights" of the minutes from monthly UP Council Meetings and Work Sessions are not complete official records. Residents always are welcome to review the complete Council minutes after they are typed and returned to the Town Hall. Please call 301-927-4262 for more information.]

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE
FEBRUARY 1st COUNCIL MEETING**

Present were Mayor Tabori; all the Council Members (CMs); Chief Wynnyk and Treasurer Baden.

Mayor Tabori reported on 4 issues: (1) **The Prince George's County Historical Society** invited the Town to participate in the Society's book, which would require a financial contribution. Council declined to participate as they could not justify the expenditure;

(2) **E-W Highway road-improvement project** - The Mayor felt the January 29th meeting he attended was a good start for continuing communications with the State Highway Administration (SHA) and the contractor. Mayor Tabori said the contractor was not aware of the extent of other construction that WSSC and WGL were conducting in UP, and he mentioned that WGL would have

extensive repair work at the E-W Highway/Adelphi Road intersection. The Mayor said neither UPES nor the Town Bus service had been notified of that pending work (due to begin on March 15th);

(3) CM Carey noted that Ward 4 Van Buren Street was slated for sewer line replacement. Director Beall arranged for WSSC to submit the necessary permit application. The Mayor said such additional work, above and beyond the water line replacement already underway, would require a **re-negotiation** of the extent of street repair by WSSC. The more impact WSSC has on our streets, the greater their contribution to the repair funds should be. CM Carey suggested advance notice to residents about any street work so heirloom plants or other property might be relocated in advance of the work. The Mayor commented on the near-future work on Route 1 (Town Hall to E-W Highway) and at the E-W/Adelphi intersection, as well as the ongoing WSSC work, and said their cumulative impact would have an effect on Town residents during morning and evening commuting times; and

(4) **Belcrest Plaza (BP) Issue** - Mayor Tabori said the Planning Board resolution had been written and he and Attorney Ferguson had been able to participate in the process. And...**the language suggested by the Town for storm water management had been included in the resolution IN TOTAL!** He also said almost 75% of our goal for traffic issues had been achieved. But, unfortunately, **NO PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE ON THE 31-STORY-BUILDING ISSUE**; the two difficulties with that issue are: (1) the **unconscionable increase in density** at the site and (2) the **expansion of the build line to the very edges** of the property's perimeter.

Re Toledo Road: There is no binding agreement yet between the Prince George's Plaza mall and the BP developer to install a full 70-foot-wide road. **BUT: the sidewalk** on Toledo Terrace is to be narrowed by one-third from 20 to 13 feet! **Parking** is to be removed and **bicycle lanes** are to be intermixed with traffic!

Mayor Tabori expressed extremely strong concerns about **the impact on pedestrian and bicycle access to the Metro** for the Landy property apartment building residents. Mayor Tabori stressed that the voiced opinions and engagement of the UP Council Members and Town residents has been critical to raising awareness and bringing pressure to bear on developers! He added that, unfortunately, the award of a Detailed Site Plan (DSP) to the BP developers is a **stinging defeat for the Planning Board staff** and, sadly, renders the Transit District Overlay Zone (TDOZ) plan a useless document!

Mayor Tabori reiterated that UP is not at all opposed to development around the PG Plaza Metro. **On the one hand, UP has a strong preference to see the University Town Center (UTC) completed.** On the other hand, the specific type of development proposed by **Belcrest Plaza is totally inconsistent with good development principles and actually will be extremely harmful to the surrounding areas.** Mayor Tabori responded to CM Bradley Chacón's inquiry of what type development UP would want for the BP area by saying that the better type of development would be one that was a bike and pedestrian-friendly development that had accessibility to University Hills, Hyattsville, and UP, and its streets would be attractive and active. **Conversely, everything about the BP development is inwardly focused.**

CM Toscano reminded the group that there still were unclear issues with BP's utilities; WSSC said that **BP does NOT have a sufficient sewage-handling capacity** for a development of its proposed size. CM Lucas had concerns with subway congestion and traffic. CM Carey suggested having a community briefing to help engage UP residents in the BP issue. CM Mallino said that **ultimately, the District Council would have the authority to grant the zoning exemptions that BP is seeking.** Mayor Tabori observed that County Councilman Will Campos (who represents Hyattsville on the District Council) would be the key figure in this issue. The Mayor suggested considering a Town Meeting and

CM McPherson suggested that residents be provided with a list of issues and/or a template to use when contacting officials.

A motion to reduce budget line item G28 (Northwestern High School Band Uniforms) from \$12,000 to \$6,000 **FAILED** (with CMs Bradley Chacón and Carey voting YEA; and CMs Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, O'Connor, and Toscano voting NAY).

An amended motion to separate the budget line item R21 (Grants Reserve) into line items R21 (Police Radios) and R22 (Energy Grant) was approved unanimously.

A motion to introduce Leg. Res. 10-O-2 (Amend the FY2010 budget to include adjustments that reflect additional revenue and expenditures in the form of new line items), and to include the amended motion to create line items in the budget for grants, including grants G1 (Police Radios) and G2 (State Energy Grant) was approved (with Bradley Chacón abstaining).

A motion to adopt Resolution 10-R-03 (Authorizing the Mayor to sign for, and the Town to accept a grant of \$34,164.00 from the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention for the purpose of purchasing 700 MHZ portable radios for the UP Police Department) was approved unanimously. *(The Mayor asked the Rules & Regulations Committee to approve transferring signature authority of accept grants to both the Director of the UP Public Works Department and the Chief of the UP Police Department. Currently, only the Mayor is authorized to sign in accept grants on behalf of the Town. On occasion, when the Mayor was not available, this has created a timing problem in accepting a grant.)*

A motion to adopt Resolution 10-R-04 (Approving adjustments to the FY2010 Budget as referenced in the *Exhibit* document "Budget Analysis and Adjustments, December 31, 2009," that is attached to the Resolution) was passed unanimously. *(Mayor Tabori said this Resolution doesn't include line item changes.)* The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FEBRUARY 9th SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM. **Present were** Mayor Tabori and all the Council Members (CMs); CM Lucas arrived at 10:25 AM.

A motion was passed (with Lucas not present) to approve the waiver of normal bidding requirements and to move \$25,000 from Unreserved-Designated (Vehicle Replacement) to Public Works (Capital Outlay, Capital Equipment) for the emergency purchase of a dump truck with plow.

A motion was approved unanimously (with all CMs present) to transfer \$20,000 from Undesignated Reserve to Public Works (Street Tree Maintenance) to ensure that sufficient funds were available to pay the Town's street-tree maintenance contractor in a timely fashion on completion of the expected emergency clean-up from the snow storm of February 9th. The meeting adjourned at 11 AM by unanimous consent.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FEBRUARY 22nd COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; all Council Members (CMs); Chief Wynnyk, Attorney Ferguson, and UPPWD Director Beall.

A motion to reverse the order of agenda items 8-B (LUPBGC Request for UP Grant) and 8-C (Support for Non-governmental Organizations and Schools Serving UP) **FAILED** (with CMs Bradley Chacón, Carey, and O'Connor voting YEA; CMs Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, and Toscano voting NAY).

Under Public Comment, CM Lucas complimented WSSC for their prompt attention to a water line break on Tennyson Street in mid February. A WSSC crew responded to assess the problem within 20 minutes of being notified by Town Hall, and returned to repair the broken water line the following morning.

Mayor Tabori's report covered the events during the February snowstorms. He praised Pepco's responsiveness to power outages during the February 6th-7th storm and had found Pepco's community contact person very helpful in identifying outages affecting individual homeowners. The Mayor personally thanked our UPPWD employees for their dedicated service during the extreme weather. **UP was one of the few communities that was fully accessible to emergency vehicles throughout all the snowstorms.** He also added his appreciation and thanks to Riverdale Presbyterian Church which opened its parking lot to the UPES teachers once school was back in session.

The Mayor said the Town would file for FEMA disaster reimbursement and was collaborating with the MD Mayor's Association for at least partial financial recompense for the extraordinary expenses that were incurred. Such costs as Town tree damages only could be included to the extent we were able to estimate them. Director Beall estimated that **UP incurred tree removal costs in excess of \$10,000**, but said it was unlikely he would be able to provide an official estimate by the March 1st Council Meeting. Mayor Tabori added that Town streets had been damaged by snow removal efforts.

Chief Wynnyk reported that Officer Barreto had suffered chest pains on February 17th and had been hospitalized.

UPPWD Director Beall reported that: (1) He too had praise for Pepco during the snowstorms. He also thanked the city of Hyattsville for repositioning the UP dump truck out of the right-of-way so Pepco could enter the Wells Parkway area to restore power. The truck had been disabled by a fire in the engine compartment. Shankle Body greatly assisted the UPPWD by repairing a dump truck and readying it for snow removal, which included hand-shoveling 4 tons of road salt from one truck to another. He also thanked the Council for holding a special session so the Town was

able to replace the disabled plow truck in time for the second snowstorm.

(2) Mr. Beall expressed great admiration and appreciation for the dedicated efforts of the **UPPWD employees who worked multiple round-the-clock shifts** as well as their mechanical magic to keep the Town equipment, including the trash packer, on the roads and moving snow. He noted that **both UPPWD employees AND Chief Wynnyk had used chain saws to cut away fallen tree limbs** (and in some cases entire trees) that blocked roadways. And, UP was able to contract **Schumer, Inc.** (the company doing the WSSC water line replacement work) very reasonably, **who completed clearing the snow and ice from UP's intersections and roadways from curb to curb.** Finally, he said he was very appreciative and grateful for **all Town residents' efforts to move vehicles off the streets or to one side to facilitate the UPPWD's snow clearing efforts.**

A motion was passed unanimously to approve Legislative Resolution 10-O-01 (Authorizing Council to establish by Resolution a speed monitoring system). **Adoption**

A motion was passed (with Bradley Chacón abstaining) **to adopt Legislative Resolution 10-O-02** (To amend the FY 2010 Budget to include adjustments that reflect additional revenue and expenditures in the form of new line items.) **Adoption** *(CM Bradley Chacón simultaneously expressed her support and qualms about the Resolution.)*

A motion was passed unanimously to APPROVE AN APPEAL of the MNCPPC decision of February 4, 2010 to grant a DSP and a re-zoning of the Belcrest Plaza Project, said appeal to be developed by the Mayor and the Town Attorney.

A central issue of the appeal is (1) Ensuring that the Toledo Terrace right-of-way is full-width and includes two separate bike lanes (not bike lanes commingled with vehicle traffic). Without this provision, the street

would be very pedestrian and bicyclist **UN-friendly**. NOTE: The de facto outcome of the narrowed streets and sidewalks proposed on the DSP is to push the development's envelope to the very edges of the BP property line. This design approach defiantly violates and negates the Transit District Overlay Zone (TDOZ) requirements!

The other appeal issues for the District Council include: (2) Resolving the utilities issue (so that Pepco has a dedicated 15-foot-wide PUE, and the remaining utilities have a second easement); (3) Ensuring that the stormwater management guidelines are fully enforceable; (4) Objecting to the Toledo Terrace loading area request; (5) Supporting the staff's original recommendation for a park area between buildings D and E; and (6) Including all 19 intersections in the zone study area, rather than just 6.

NOTE: What MOST will influence the District Council will be the **VISIBLE PRESENCE of ENGAGED CITIZENS** at the Hearings.

Attorney Ferguson asked about the origins of a DRAFT document entitled "**Inter Municipal Stream Committee Agreement**," as she had not seen it previously nor reviewed the document. She explained that normally a Resolution approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and that the document in question was not in the proper format for either purpose. The document was withdrawn, for review and revision by Attorney Ferguson, and Mayor Tabori said it could be presented again at the March 15th Meeting.

Two proposed motions were not voted on at the meeting: (1) a request for a grant for \$12,000 from the Lewisdale-UP Boys and Girls Club, and (2) a request that the Mayor and Policy & Rules Committee propose and recommend a policy and procedure to guide UP's fiscal and other support for activities of public schools and non-governmental organizations serving the youth and residents of UP. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

On March 1, 2010, **Ordinance 10-O-05** was introduced. This Ordinance would amend the Fiscal Year 2010 budget to add expense line item G32 "Lewisdale-University Park Boys and Girls Club Donation" for receipt of the sum of \$2,000.00 to be transferred from Unreserved/Undesignated Funds, to make provision for a donation to the Lewisdale-University Park Boys and Girls Club and appropriate funds for the purpose. The meeting set for **April 12, 2010** is the first meeting at which the Ordinance could be adopted.



OBITUARY

MARJORIE CHAMBERLAIN KRAFT, 82, a University Park resident for 50 years, died on February 4, 2010, after a long illness. She was born on August 6, 1928, and grew up in Groveville, New Jersey, the fifth and youngest child of Milton and Carrie Chamberlain. She graduated from Hamilton High School in Trenton, NJ and attended Rider College, also in Trenton. She left college and began working as a secretary. After moving to Maryland, she worked for a while at the University of Maryland, College Park, and then for Neil's Auto Works in Riverdale.

In 1948, Marge married Ernie Kraft, and in 1960, they moved to University Park. Their only child Donald graduated from all the neighborhood schools (University Park Elementary School, Hyattsville Junior High, and Northwestern High School) and the University of Maryland College Park. Marge enjoyed attending Donald's soccer games from junior high through college as well as his baseball games at HJH and his tennis matches at NHS. And when a second generation appeared, Marge became a fan of her two grandsons' soccer and ice hockey games and tennis matches.

Marge enjoyed many diversions. During summers at their home in Sherwood Forest, Marge was an avid Art Club member, dabbling in ceramics and creating many paintings that still adorn the walls of her home.

For almost six years, Marge loved caring for her older grandson while both his parents worked. She also was an associate member of the Moose Lodge of College Park.

Marge was preceded in death by her parents and her four older siblings: Donald, Neil, Betty, and Jean. Survivors include her husband of 62 years Ernest Kraft of University Park; her son Donald Kraft (and Linda) of Towson, Maryland; her grandsons Sean Kraft and Jason Kraft, both of Towson; and several nephews, nieces, and cousins. A grave side service was held in Crosswicks, New Jersey.



COMMUNITY WISH LIST

❖ **K-6th Graders & Parents:** The 4x4 small-sided Hyattsville-Lewisdale-UP (HL-UP) soccer league is kicking off their spring soccer season with a plan to keep the same teams and coaches that were organized last fall. Games will be held at Magruder Park in Hyattsville; the dates TBA should be on Saturday mornings from March 27th to May 22nd (except April 24th). **NOTE: Only teams with enough players and coaches will be fielded!** For registration forms or more information, please contact Tom (twilliams@combined.biz, 301-699-8112, or 301-466-5346, cell). Completed forms and payment should be given to Sarah Starrett or Tom Williams (4115 Tennyson Road, next to the Town Field). The fee is \$35/child made payable to LUPBGC. **NOTE:** Cleats and shin guards are not required for clinics, but ARE required for games. Team-colored LUP T-shirts will be handed out on or before the first game. For more details, visit www.lupsports.com.

TOWN TEEN WORKER LIST

The following young residents are interested in finding summer jobs around our Town. Please **SAVE THIS LIST** and call them if you need any of the services they are offering. If you are a teen with a service and forgot to turn your name in to the Editor, you will need to wait for the fall-winter listing in the October 2010 NEWSLETTER.



----- Please clip and save for future reference -----

FRANNY ASHCRAFT (15) 301-927-4996
Ward 1 - Babysitting, Mother's Helper, Party Help, and Vacation Housesitting

LOUISE AHMANN (16) 301-864-3829
Ward 5 - Baby sitting/CPR-certified; Pet sitting; Dog walking. After school & weekends.

ALI LEONARDI (17) 240-593-2180
Ward 5 - Baby sitting: Red Cross-certified and experienced.

JUSTIN McPHERSON (17) 301-779-5249
Ward 3 - Odd jobs.

KYLE McPHERSON (19) 301-779-5249
Ward 3 - Lawn mowing.

EMILY RHODES (17) 301-275-5913
Ward 1 - Experienced child care & pet care.
(emily@emilyrhodes.com)

MARY WHELTON (13) 301-779-7943
Ward 7 - Babysitting and Pet Care
(cell:301-980-4196)

TREY WHELTON (15) 301-779-7943
Ward 7 - Grass Cutting and Pet Care
(cell: 301-448-6757)

MICHELLE WILLIAMS (15) 301-699-8112
Ward 2 - 4-H certified Babysitter, Pet Care, Dog Walking, Lawn Mowing, Gardening, & Odd jobs. (michelle.s.williams77@gmail.com)

2010-2011 SCHOLARSHIPS

❖ For the 64th year, the **University Park Woman's Club** will be offering scholarships to graduating high school seniors. All eligible students may apply for the following two one-year scholarships; each is worth \$1,000:

◆ **The Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship** ◆ is awarded to a graduating senior from Northwestern High School with a minimum 3.0 grade point average; economic need is a consideration for this scholarship. Application parts A, B, and C must be completed, along with providing all the information requested on the checklist. ◆ **The University Park Woman's Club Scholarship** ◆ also is awarded to a graduating senior with a minimum grade point average of 3.0, but the applicant must be either a resident of University Park or a non-resident child or grandchild of a UPWC member. Application parts A and B must be completed, along with providing all the information requested on the checklist.

The UPWC application and checklist may be picked up from the counselor's office at Northwestern, Eleanor Roosevelt, Elizabeth Seton, and DeMatha high schools OR may be downloaded from the University Park Town website: <http://www.upmd.org>. Completed applications should be delivered no later than **Thursday, April 1, 2010** to "UPWC Scholarship Chair, 4104 Van Buren Street, University Park, MD 20782." For more information, please call Melody Lawrence (301-379-3864).

❖ **MD State Delegate Scholarships** are available to students planning to attend Maryland Colleges and Universities during the 2010-2011 academic year. Students (and parents) must be residents of Legislative District 22 and may be enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, vocational, professional studies program, or post-secondary career. Selection criteria is based on financial need and/or academic achievement. All interested students may contact either:

◆ **Delegate Tawanna Gaines** (301-858-3058) - For application information, contact:

www.tawannagaines.org/scholarship.html;
please submit applications by 5 PM, April 1st.

◆ **State Senator Paul G. Pinsky** (301-858-3155) - For online application, contact: www.senatorpinsky.org/scholarship.htm;
please submit applications by April 9th.

◆ **Delegate Anne Healey** (Anne_Healey@House.state.md.us) **1st** call 301-858-3961 **ASAP** to obtain information and an application. The application package will be mailed to the student's home address. **Postmark completed application no later than April 15th**; awards will be announced in June 2010.



2010 LOCAL FARMERS MARKETS

❖ It's the 13th season for the **Riverdale Park Farmers Market**; opening day will be **April 1st** (the Thursday before Easter). Early vendors will be those selling bakery items, hydroponic lettuce, coffee, meat & dairy, flowers, spring plants, and several crafts. The Ferry Landing Farm & Apiary will arrive on **April 22nd**. Most veggie vendors will arrive in May: Musachio Produce in early May and "TGIF" in late May. Some sad news: the organic **Master Peace Garden** lost their funding from UM, so if or when they'll return is not known yet; but...very exciting news: the Market's **first certified organic veggie vendor**, Summer Creek Farm, will arrive in late May/early June!

❖ You can eat locally YEAR-ROUND by shopping at the **Takoma Park Farmers Market** (6900 block of Laurel Avenue). For their 30th year, this producers-only market is offering produce grown locally within a 125-mile radius. It is open every Sunday from 10 AM to 2 PM. To see what is available at the 23 stalls, please visit www.takomaparkmarket.com.

❖ The **College Park Farmers Market** will open on **Saturdays** from **7 AM to NOON** beginning May 2nd; the **Greenbelt Farmers Market** will open on **Sundays** from **10 AM to 2 PM** beginning May 17th (visit www.green

beltfarmersmarket.org for more details); and the **Hyattsville Farmers Market** will open on **Tuesdays from 2 PM to 6 PM on June 16th.**



ENTERTAINMENT AROUND TOWN

◆ **The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC)** (123 Centerway, beneath the Co-op Grocery Store; www.greenbeltartscenter.org or 301-441-8770) holds performances on Fridays & Saturdays at 8 PM and on Sundays at 2 PM.

◆ **Now through April 10th**, GAC finishes its run of the wonderful Tony Award-winning musical **"Man of La Mancha"**...with a cast of 38! You won't want to miss this classic evening of reality and fantasy, death and despair, and the exhilaration of hope when the spirit is allowed to "dream."

◆ A middle-of-the-month extra treat: On **April 16th to 18th**, Apippa Productions will present **"Fred & Frieda,"** an original play written by Nicole Burton that celebrates the transforming power of memory and story-telling. *Fred liberated 16-year-old Frieda when his all-black battalion stumbled on the Ohrdruf concentration camp, a sub-camp of Buchenwald in Germany. Fifty years later, Frieda wants to tell her story but she can't remember. She calls on Fred to help her and, this time, the life he saves may be his own.*

◆ **The UM Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center (CSPAC)** offers a wide range of free and ticketed world-class performances. For more information, reservations, or a catalog of the 09-10 season, please contact www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or 301-405-2787.

◆ **"Arlene"** on **April 14th** at 6 PM in Rever Rehearsal Room 3736 - Come watch this "performance piece" that was created from "moments," theatrical units of time!
FREE

◆ **"The Music of Shadowboxer"** on **April 18th** at 5 PM, **April 21st & April 23rd** at 6:30


PM, and **April 25th** at 2 PM in Smith Lecture Hall - Assistant conductor Ingram and assistant director Black-Sotir will discuss the opera's musical and dramatic structures complete with live examples from the piano and the opportunity to ask questions. **FREE**

◆ **"Shadowboxer: An Opera Based on the Life of Joe Louis"** on **April 17th, April 21st, & April 23rd** at 7:30 PM, **April 18th** at 6 PM, and **April 25th** at 3 PM in Kay Theatre - Joe Louis, "The Brown Bomber," had an impact far beyond the world of sports. This world premiere opera explores his life through a cast, a chorus, a pit orchestra, AND an on-stage 8-piece jazz ensemble. (**FREE post-performance Talk Backs** are being offered with the composer and librettist on **April 18th** and with the cast on **April 25th.**)

◆ **"Gilgamesh"** on **April 23rd & 30th** at 8 PM, **April 25th & May 2nd** at 2 PM, **May 1st** at 2 PM & 8 PM, and **April 28th-29th** at 7:30 PM in Kogod Theatre - This innovative interpretation of the 4,000-year-old Mesopotamian epic uses ancient and modern Japanese movement, masks, and puppetry to portray the Babylonian king Gilgamesh's hunt for the secret to eternal life, as he struggles with love, power, and death.

◆ **"The UM Repertoire Orchestra"** on **April 28th** at 8 PM in Dekelboum Concert Hall - The all-campus UMRO performs Beethoven's *Piano Concerto No. 3, op. 37* with guest pianist Cynthia Xu, joins with New Retro for various songs arranged by band member Dave Matthews, and concludes with Elgar's *Enigma Variations*. **FREE**

◆ **"The UM Symphony Orchestra: Titans"** on **April 30th** at 8 PM in the Dekelboum Concert Hall - The UMSO's final concert for 2009-10 includes Ludwig van Beethoven's *Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67* and Hector Berlioz's *Symphonie fantastique, Op. 14* (with a newly-conceived narration by renowned actor Jon Spelman) -- two of the most influential works in the history of music!



❖ The Robert E. Parilla (Montgomery College, Rockville Campus) **Performing Arts Center (MCPAC)** continues its College series and concludes its Children's Series. Ticket info at www.montgomerycollege.edu/pac or 240-567-5301, M-F, 10 AM-6 PM.

◆ On **April 14th-17th** at 8 PM and Sunday, **April 18th** at 2 PM, love is in the air, but who's in love with whom? The College Series will present William Shakespeare's "**Midsummer Night's Dream**," in which Lysander loves Hermia and Hermia loves Lysander; and Helena loves Demetrius...but Demetrius loves Hermia. But...because Hermia's father prefers that she choose Demetrius, Hermia is given four days to decide between Demetrius, life in a nunnery, or a death sentence. Now, add some magic love drops and a little help from the Kingdom of Fairies, and you're sure to have a wonderful theatrical experience.


◆ On Saturday, **May 1st** at 11 AM, the Saturday Morning Childrens' Series will present "**Jigsaw Jones: The Case of the Class Clown**," (Someone in Ms. Gleason's class is sliming people and playing practical jokes!) Based on the book by James Preller, this amusing musical will have ages six and older laughing (and thinking) as they try to out-guess Jigsaw while he deciphers the secret codes necessary to solve the mystery.

❖ The **Publick Playhouse** in Cheverly (5445 Landover Road 301-277-1710; TTY: 301-277-0312) is presenting a colorful puppet play for younger children.

◆ For this month's Midweek Matinee, on Tuesday, **April 27th** at 10:15 AM & NOON, the Jim West Puppets will present "**Aesop's Fables**," recommended for children in pre-K through 3rd grade. The fables are enacted by puppets designed to capture the attention of even the youngest members of the audience -- they are LARGE, even LARGER than the puppeteers! And everyone's favorite star of the show surely will be Aesop's dog Moral, who gets into mischief and constantly shows off his doggy karate skills and flips. (\$6)

SOARING INTO APRIL

The **College Park Aviation Museum** (1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive, CP, 301-864-6029) will offer a film, an open house, a art & paper airplane days, real birds, two contests, and a London trip! Museum hours are daily, 10 AM-5 PM; all children must be accompanied by an adult. For questions, please contact 301-864-6029/TTY 301-864-4765 or www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com.



❖ "**Paper Airplane Day**" - On Friday, **April 2nd**, from 12-4 PM, all ages are invited to visit the Museum and make a paper airplane! Supplies and patterns will be waiting and Museum staff will be available for assistance. Use your best creation to compete in the annual Paper Airplane Derby at 3 PM. And, YES! Prizes will be awarded! **FREE with Museum admission** → → → **FWMA**

❖ "**Birds and Planes**" - The Wright Brothers studied how birds flew and then used those observations when they built their airplane. On Saturday, **April 10th** at 2 PM, come and meet a naturalist from the Watkins Park Nature Center who will display real birds of prey and discuss how birds can fly. **FWMA**

❖ "**Restoration Shop Open House**" - On **Saturday, April 17th** from 1-4 PM, take a short walk from the Museum to the Restoration Facility to see the process used for creating and restoring museum-quality exhibits and aircraft. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

❖ "**Air Dare Trivia Challenge**" - On Sunday, **April 18th** at 1 PM, children ages 5 to 12 will be challenged to see how much they know about airplanes and flight. Contestants will have the option of answering a question or completing a physical challenge, depending on which challenges they think they'll meet more successfully. Complete challenges to win prizes. **FWMA**

❖ "**Art Day!**" - On Saturday, **April 24th** from 11 AM to 4 PM, all ages are invited to

create a piece of aviation artwork! The Museum will provide basic art supplies (paper, pencils, markers, colored pencils, crayons, and collage materials). Then, participants (kindergartners-college students) will have the option of entering their masterpieces in the Museum's art contest. **FWMA**

❖ **Hollywood Flyers** - Plan now for a Saturday afternoon at the movies! CPAM's famous films series features Hollywood blockbusters, classics, and documentaries with a flight theme. On **April 24th**, the film will be *"Rocket Man."* *This family comedy follows a geeky spacecraft designer who gets the chance to make his dream come true by becoming a member of the first manned space flight to Mars.* All Hollywood Flyer films begin at 1 PM; lemonade, popcorn, and the movie are all **FWMA**!

❖ **"CPAM Student Art Contest"** - Let the words of Antoine de Saint-Exupery, *"The airplane has unveiled for us the true face of the earth,"* or Igor Sikorsky, *"Aeronautics was neither an industry nor a science. It was a miracle,"* inspire you to create a drawing, painting, photo, collage, print, 3D, or mixed-media piece of artwork. Anyone in grades K-12 plus College students may enter. All artwork forms are acceptable and the top entries will be displayed in the Museum. A \$25 prize will be awarded to the 1st-place winner in each category (K-3, 4-8, 9-12, C). For more detailed information and rules, call CPAM or visit the website. **Deadline for all entries is April 30th.**

❖ **"Trip to London +"** - CPAM Field of Firsts member Bob Kovalchik and Acting Director Warren Kasper, are organizing a **9-day tour of the United Kingdom** departing on September 1st from BWI. For less than \$3,000, the all-inclusive trip covers air fares, triple/twin accommodations, all breakfasts & dinners, entrance fees, etc. Highlights will feature the Battle of Britain Air Show and will include two full free days plus a sightseeing tour in London, as well as excursions to Windsor Castle, Cambridge, and the Cotswolds.

wolds. **A deposit of \$495 is due with your application;** please check if a price guarantee w/deposit still is available. For more info, contact Warren Kasper (301-864-6029).



APRIL SHOWERS EVENTS ON RIVERSDALE HOUSE MUSEUM

Guided tours of the lovely early-Federal Riversdale House Museum (4811 Riverdale Road, RP) are available on the quarter hour, Fridays and Sundays from 12:15 to 3:15 PM; group tours are available by appointment. No charge for Gift Shop visits during tour hours. Open-hearth cooking demonstrations are held each Sunday. For more information please call 301-864-0420/TTY 301-699-2544. Sign up for classes and activities at www.pg parks.com or 301-583-BOOK (w/touch-tone phone). *All fees listed are for P.G. County residents.

❖ On Saturday, **April 10th** at 8 PM, RHM will hold it's 5th annual **"Tavern Night"** (for ages 21 and older). Join your friends in the Museum "Cellar" where the ground-floor servants' quarters will have been transformed into a subterranean tavern! An evening of rousing entertainment will be presented by the **"Ship's Company Chanteymen,"** a jolly band of early-19th-Century maritime history interpreters who will amuse you with their ship's chanteys and sea stories. Costumed hands will serve you tavern-style beef pasties, sausage patties, potato balls, cabbage slaw, Shrewsbury cakes, and beverages. Come as you are...or in period attire, matey! **Advance payment (\$20) is required by April 2nd**, but be SURE to reserve your ticket/s early; space is very limited and it's likely this popular program will sell out before April 2nd.

❖ **"Seasonal Selections"** programs are held on one Sunday each month from NOON to 3:30 PM as part of the regular House tour. Their focus is inspired by a holiday, seasonal produce, or just the recurring cycles of early 19th-century farm life. On **April 18th**, the Riversdale Kitchen Guild will present **"Green!**

Greens." After a long winter of root vegetable meals, finding the first spring greens must have been a joyful day for 19th century cooks. So, using period cookware, costumed interpreters will demonstrate how to prepare dishes featuring early tender young green plants from the garden.

❖ To help you consider the art of seasonal and historic cookery, RHM is holding **"A Spring Luncheon"** on Saturday, **April 24th** at 1 PM. Because eating local produce was the only option in early America, Riversdale gardener Sarah Urdaneta, foodways historian Joyce White, and the Riversdale Kitchen Guild will demonstrate how to prepare and present foods from the organic Riversdale garden and set a bountiful table for guests to enjoy. The luncheon includes everything: a tour of the house and gardens, a food demonstration, a delicious meal, and handouts of the historic recipes that were served. **NOTE: Advance reservations and payment (\$30) are required by April 16th -- and capacity is limited.**



PGPCC's APRIL EVENTS

During April, the **Prince George's Plaza Community Center** (6600 Adelphi Road, by the Library, 301-864-1611/TTY 301-445-4512) will host a 2-part film, fun, Jeopardy, and a Globetrotter! Free ID cards for kids/srs.

❖ **"PGPCC's Easter Eggstravaganza"** - On Saturday, **April 3rd** from 1-4 PM, ages 4 to 12 are invited to a spring egg hunt with the Easter Bunny! How many eggs do you think you'll find? Plan to take a picture with the fuzzy guy (or gal?) for a lasting memory. Then participate in some group activities; create an arts-and-craft project and end the party by playing some group games. (\$2)

❖ A **"Soccer Clinic"** will be held on Sunday, **April 18th** from 1-3 PM. Boys and girls ages 6-17 can learn the basics of the world's most popular team sport. Through

drills and workshops, the Clinic will cover: passing, shooting, scoring, heading, sportsmanship, and teamwork. Also, the rules of the game will be introduced in a fun and entertaining way. **FREE w/Center ID**

❖ A **"Family Game Night"** will be held on Tuesday, **April 27th** from 5-7 PM. Your whole family is invited to join in for Game Night. Whether you decide to play Monopoly or Candy Land or something else, a game exists that all your family members will enjoy playing together. Game Nights help bring families closer...and they create memories. (When you arrive, don't forget to sign-up for the Wii Bowling Challenge!) All ages are welcome. **FREE w/Center ID**



APRIL'S "ARTFUL AFTERNOON"

April will provide twice as much fun this year with a combined **Egg Hunt AND Artful Afternoon** on -- **Saturday -- April 3rd** from 1-4 PM. With a welcome to spring and a nod to Easter Sunday, the usual Artful Afternoon lineup will be held in conjunction with Greenbelt's annual **"Egg Hunt,"** a free activity open to all children from 18 months old to current 6th graders. The Hunt will begin promptly at 1 PM, rain or shine; bring your own basket and a camera for photos with the Bunny.

From 1-3 PM, enjoy a hands-on craft and watch a colorful Indian dance at 3 PM. UMBC instructor and Greenbelt Artist-in-Residence, Celestine Ranney-Howes was a former costume shop manager for Arena Stage and a master costume designer for several California theatrical groups. At the craft workshop, she will help all ages make **"cloth fairies and Manga elves."** At 3 PM, creative movement artists from The Spilling Ink Project will present **"Katha: Tales from India."** Traditional South Indian dances will be used to interpret memorable tales from folklore and mythology. The audience will learn how facial expressions and hand gestures are used to tell the stories and how the music and its rhythms

are matched to the dancers' footwork and enhanced by the bells they wear. Both events are suitable for all ages.

NOTE: If you enter a "**Drawing**" before 2:30 PM on **April 3rd**, you may be the lucky winner chosen to receive either tickets to CSPAC's "Shadow Boxer" OR tickets to your choice of any remaining GAC play this season. All of the April 3rd events will be held either inside or on the grounds of the Greenbelt Community Center (15 Crescent Road). For more information, please call 301-397-2208 or visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts.



GREAT DECISIONS 2010

All Town residents are invited to join the remaining 4 discussion programs created for groups by the Foreign Policy Association. The FPA is a non-governmental, independent, non-partisan organization promoting foreign policy education. Meetings are bi-monthly on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays from 7:30-9 PM at UP Church of the Brethren. The remaining dates and topics include:

❖ April 8th - *Global Financial Crisis:*

The global financial crisis that began in late 2007 revealed major deficiencies in the regulation of markets and institutions, all of which came perilously close to collapse. Emergency measures to prevent a full collapse of the global financial system have led to mixed results. How will governments and the world community respond to this challenge?

❖ April 22nd - *Russia & Its Neighbors:*

Russia's policy of maintaining a "sphere of influence" in former Soviet satellites has been challenged in recent years by movements against pro-Russia regimes. Russia has pushed back by cutting Ukraine's natural gas supply and intervening in Georgia's campaign in South Ossetia. Will Russia regain its traditional leadership role in the region?

❖ May 13th - *The Persian Gulf:* Now more than ever, the Persian Gulf region offers

many difficult challenges to U.S. policy-makers. How will Obama's direct appeal to Arabs and Muslims impact U.S. foreign policy in the region? What will the fallout of withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq be? Can the U.S. and its allies prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons?

❖ May 27th - *Peace building & Conflict Resolution:* U.S. campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan have shown that military force alone cannot ensure peace in all conflicts. How can the U.S. successfully integrate the tools of peace-building into its statecraft? At what point do poverty, disease, and climate change threaten national security? What role can non-governmental actors play in supporting government-led efforts?

This series affords a friendly, informal way to learn more about the foreign policy of the United States. **Please feel free just to come and listen or to voice your ideas and opinions.** Attendance at all of the sessions is not mandatory. To purchase the very informative 2009 discussion book, please call Maxie Phillips (301-927-0857). For more information, visit the website (www.fpa.org).



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

"A good book has no ending."

R. D. Cumming.

❖ The **Hyattsville Branch Library** (301-985-4690) offers a monthly afternoon book discussion group and a bi-monthly chess club.

◆ For all ages and levels, the **Chess Club** meets on the second and fourth Thursdays at 7 PM (**April 8th and 22nd**) with instructor Ted Fagan. Guests/new members welcome!

◆ The redesigned **HY-LI Saturday Book Discussion Group** meets monthly on the third Saturday at 3 PM. On **April 17th**, they will discuss "**The Alchemist**" by Paulo Coelho. *Every few decades a book is published that changes the lives of its readers forever. "The Alchemist" has established itself as just such*

a modern classic, and it will continue to enchant and inspire readers for generations to come." New members always are welcome and may drop in on a discussion any time. On, May 15th, *"The Meaning of Everything: The Story of the Oxford English Dictionary"* by Simon Winchester will be discussed.

❖ The **College Park Arts Exchange Book Club** (info@cpae.org or 301-927- 3013) meets monthly on Fridays from 7:30-9 PM (except in August) at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox and Dartmouth) to discuss the ongoing theme of non-fiction works by women authors. Their selection for **April 9th** is *"My Stroke of Insight: A Brain Scientist's Personal Journey"* by Jill Bolte Taylor. (A brain scientist experiences a catastrophic stroke and painstakingly relates what she learned in the process of recovery.) On May 21st, the Club will discuss *"A House in Fez: Building a Life in the Ancient Heart of Morocco"* by Suzanna Clark.

❖ The **After Eight Book Club**, a group open to all interested men, women, and couples, will continue its 2009-2010 Club year on **April 20th** at 8 PM to discuss *"The World Without Us"* by Alan Weisman. For questions, or would like to join this month's discussion, please call Sarah Starrett (301-699-8112). For May 18th, their selection will be *"The Omnivore's Dilemma"* by Michael Pollan.



UPCA STREAM CLEAN-UP

Good deeds create good feelings! The **University Park Civic Association (UPCA)** will hold its annual **"Stream Clean-UP"** on Saturday, **April 10th** from 8:30 AM to 11 AM in **RAIN** or **SHINE**. For the second year in a row, the UPCA's Stream Clean-UP will be a part of the 4-state-wide 600+ site Alice Fergu-

son Foundation's Potomac River Watershed Cleanup. (UP is Site # 614!). *"Since 1989, more than 50,000 volunteers have teamed with 375 partner organizations to tug over three million tons of trash from the watershed's streams, rivers and bays!"*

Clean-UP participants should meet in the Riverdale Presbyterian Church parking lot at 8:30 AM for juice, coffee, and donuts before heading to the Stream to collect trash. Trash bags, plastic gloves, and some rubberized grip-dot work gloves will be provided. Please bring work gloves and clippers or shears to help remove ivy from Park trees. Also, wear sturdy water-friendly footwear or waders if you wish to work near the water, though it is not necessary to get wet to participate. There is as much to do by the Stream banks as in it.

New to the Clean-UP this year: The **UP Stream Committee (UPSC)** is partnering with the UPCA to make an even bigger and more lasting impact by offering some Stream remedial projects along with the usual trash "Clean-UP." **UPSC will be organizing and conducting the following Stream projects** and any interested volunteers are welcome to lend a hand: ♦ Help could be used for an Eagle Scout bank erosion and debris damming project. ♦ Avid gardeners could help with invasive plant identification and removal, and ♦ hearty souls would be needed to install a Stream trash trap and retention pond riffle barrier. ♦ Finally, **Tom Stickles** will be giving a demonstration of how to test the Stream's water quality.

Whether as an individual, a couple, or a group, **please consider volunteering** for a few hours; you'll be helping support a worthwhile community event and have a great time too! This public service activity is a unique opportunity for families to volunteer together and for Scout troops or students to earn community service hours. UP's beautiful Park/Stream area **NEEDS** your help! A trash-littered Stream makes our Town appear unsightly and could deter wild life. The UPCA's annual Stream Clean-UP attempts to combat this problem

and keep our Town looking like the scenic place we all love...and love to enjoy. For more information, please contact UPCA Stream Clean-UP Chair Julie McLaren (301-602-6656 or mclaren_julie@hotmail.com).

A SMALL BONUS for UP Stream Clean-UP volunteers: This year, your service could qualify you for a FREE day at any Disney resort through their current "**Give-a-Day; Get-a-day**" promotion! Participants who are interested must register on the Disney Website prior to April 10th. Then, bring the appropriate paperwork to the Clean-UP so your volunteer hours may be certified by one of the Clean-UP coordinators. Visit either the Disney or Alice Ferguson web site for complete details.



LOOKING FOR FORMER STUDENTS

COLLEGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CPES graduates from 1952 and 1954 have planned an Informal Reunion to be held at the CP Old Parish House (corner of Dartmouth and Knox Roads) on Saturday, **April 10th** from 2-4:30 PM. CPES students from these years (and from 1953, as space allows) as well as faculty members or their family and College Park business owners, Scout leaders, or others who served the CPES community during 1952-54, are encouraged to **contact Larry Kneessi** (larrykguard-ev@yahoo.com) **asap** to receive an Evite and be counted (the OPH has a maximum occupancy of 80). Memories and photographs also are being collected; contact Larry to contribute these items. If you have questions, please call Flo Harris (301-864-0135), class of 1952.

This historic gathering will be a wonderful chance to renew former friendships, reminisce, and share memories and experiences about life in College Park and at CPES. After the reunion, the group is meeting at the new Three Brothers Italian Restaurant in the University Town Center at 6 PM. You do not have to attend the Reunion to join the

group for dinner; however, all dinner reservations must be made through the Evite.



APRIL FUN AT CPAE

All College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) **EVENTS ARE FREE** and are held at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox Road and Dartmouth Avenue) UNLESS otherwise noted. For more information, to register, or to remit fees for special activities, please contact 301-927-3013 or info@cpae.org; or, you may visit www.cpae.org for more information.

❖ "**Musical Instrument Petting Zoo**" - On **April 11th** at 3 PM, open up the world of musical instruments for your child with this hands-on experience! UM music education students give each child a chance to try different musical instruments. There also will be a chance to experiment with a glass harmonica! **NOTE:** All children must be accompanied by an adult. **Registration is suggested** for this popular event, as space is limited.

❖ On Friday, **April 16th** at 7:30 PM, don't miss a {{{ *Golden Opportunity* }}} to see "**The Garden**," SilverDocs' 2009 winning film about a miraculous 14-acre urban community garden that's threatened by developers -- a story of racial discord, poverty, money, power and "green" politics. This free event is part of a Friday evening series for adults and teens.

❖ If you're inspired by the Friday film, on Saturday, **April 17th** from 10 AM to NOON, CPAE and the Committee for a Better Environment will present "**A Workshop on Gardening**." Come learn some techniques for sustainable organic gardening in your own urban backyard -- and plan now to grow the vegetables you love to eat! Topics to be covered include: Preparing the Soil, Composting, Choosing Plants, Pest Management, and more. Also, learn about supplementing home-grown produce with more variety from local community-supported agriculture (CSA) farms.

❖ On **April 23rd** at 7:30 PM, CPAE's Cultural Connections series has arranged for a fantastic "**Middle Eastern Dance**" concert of Raq Sharki, Tribal Fusion Dance, and Tribal Bellydance performed by local dancers. Cultural Connections plans free lectures and performances focused on all areas of cultural exploration, music, art, literature, and history.



GET THOSE RUNNING SHOES READY!

Now is the time to: form a team, choose a theme, start taking daily runs, and register to participate in the **9th Annual Azalea Classic 5K/1K Fun Run/1M Challenge Run** on **April 17th**. The Classic benefits the UPES-PTA and enriches the academic ventures of almost 600 children, while helping to make participants more physically fit as well! You may register online at www.azaleaclassic.com or by mail to: University Park 5K/1K/1M, 6724 Baltimore Avenue, University Park 20782.

The packet pick-up will be held Friday, **April 16th**, from 4 to 8 PM at UPES. The non-competitive **Neighborhood Dog Walk** also will take place Friday evening. Remember, no dogs are welcome on the day of the race. Please check the website for more Dog Walk details. As usual, race day festivities will include live music along the 5k course, a post-race party with a DJ and free food, and exciting random prize drawings! To find out how you can **become a "race sponsor"** and have your name printed on the official shirt, **please contact** www.azaleaclassic.com. All sponsors receive four entries to any Azalea Classic racing event AND four official t-shirts!



CHURCH EVENTS IN APRIL

❖ **Reuse, Recycle, Rummage, and Go Green for Spring!** All Town residents are invited to "think green" and attend the spring **RUMMAGE SALE** sponsored by University

United Methodist Church (3621 Campus Drive, College Park). The Sale will be held on Friday, **April 16th** from 9 AM to 6 PM and on Saturday, **April 17th** from 9 AM to 2 PM. Featured items include good quality clothing and shoes, jewelry, linens, glassware, furniture, toys, games, puzzles, books, CDS & DVDs, tools, craft items, small appliances, household items, and much more. Go early for the best selection...or go on Saturday from NOON to 2 for the special fill-a-bag bonus sale. For more information, please contact (301-422-1400 or uumc.office@verizon.net) or visit the web site: www.uumcp.org.

❖ Holy Redeemer School (4902 Berwyn Road, College Park) announces its **5th Annual SILENT AUCTION NIGHT** on Friday, **April 23rd** from 7-10 PM. Auction items already include some exciting vacation get-a-ways, beautiful pieces of jewelry, hand-crafted items, and more! Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. For more information, please call Jean Pirovic (301-520-8420).



HISTORY IN THE MAKING... AND YOU'RE INVITED!

Please join the **University Park Historic Preservation Association** for their **April 20th** meeting and help welcome Dr. Leigh Ryan (UM professor of English & Women's Studies, Director of the UM Writing Center, and winner of the 2009 Ron Maxwell Award) who will be screening **two award-winning documentaries**, both filmed in Maryland, **about the Plummer Family** in the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries.

The Plummer/Arnold/Fowler family of Prince George's County has traced its Maryland roots back to well before the Revolutionary War. Adam Francis Plummer (1819-1905) kept a diary for much of his adult life, including during the years he was enslaved at the Calvert family's plantation, Riversdale. In the late 1800s, one of Adam's sons, Henry Vinton Plummer, became the first African American chaplain in the regular Union Army.

However, he was courtmartialed on trumped-up charges and dishonorably discharged.

Dr. Ryan has worked closely with the Plummer/Arnold/Fowler family to edit Adam Plummer's diary and attempt to clear Henry Plummer's military record. As one of the family's closest research associates, she can help us understand how the narrative of one of our County's most remarkable families has resurfaced and where the historical markers now lead. The **April 20th** UPHPA meeting will be held from 7:30-9 PM in Custis Hall at Riverdale Presbyterian Church (6513 Queen's Chapel Road, UP). All Town residents are encouraged to attend this meeting and screening that should be fascinating and historic. More info? Call Chris Garcia (301-699-9124).



PROSPECTIVE PARENTS OPEN HOUSE

◆ **University Park Elementary School** is hosting an **Open House** for parents of prospective students. Please save Friday, **April 23rd** from 8:30 to 10 AM, for your visit. Parents will be greeted by Principal Nancy Schickner, teachers, UPES PTA board members & hosting parents, followed by a tour of the school. Registration and Before and After Care info also will be available. Come see the great things happening at UPES! For more information, please call Becky (301-779-0848) or the School office (301-985-1898).



MARYLAND DAY 2010

Saturday, April 24th from 10 AM to 4 PM is a day for UM pride and a time to enjoy the advantages of living in a college town. **The University of Maryland invites you to join the greater UM "family" for a day of learning, fun, and exploration...for ALL ages.** This year,

there are seven distinctive Maryland Day "destinations" that will lead you to more than **403 fascinating FREE events and activities.**

◆ *Except for one year during WW II, Ag Day had been a UM annual event since 1924, when the Livestock Club held the very first student-run "fitting and showing" contest!* Now, when you visit the **74 events** on **Ag Day Avenue**, you can try free samples of slushies and cookies & UM Dairy ice cream ◆ cheer on the bus drivers in the ROAD-E-O ◆ make a treasure from trash & decorate a horseshoe ◆ see horse, sheep & swine shows ◆ meet companion pups & Sammy Snake & kiss a pig ◆ learn about butterfly gardens and bee-keeping (how sweet it is!) &...**Tour the most sophisticated greenhouse on the East Coast!**

◆ At the **51 events** down **Arts Alley**, visit the instrument petting zoo & a costume closet ◆ watch play excerpts and Colours performances ◆ learn to dance hip hop or Flamenco ◆ play rhythmic movement dancing games or in the 2010 Community Band ◆ laugh at Erasable Inc. &...**View Living Statues!**

◆ At the **29 events** along **Biz & Society Hill**, you can have your face painted ◆ make a mask & a paper animal ◆ create a bookmark & order a crown ◆ learn to write & speak Chinese ◆ get a **FREE** historic giant oak tree &...**Meet Huey the Air Force Warrior Helicopter!**

◆ At the **18 events** at the **Global Village**, you can learn Arabic & get a Chinese name ◆ see a giant globe ◆ watch 3 chefs make fruit & veggie dishes ◆ play games and get giveaways &...**View the Opening Parade of Flags!**

◆ At the **77 events** on **Science & Tech Way**, you can make a microbe, a pet rock, weather gauges, silly putty, a windmill & a "hole in one" ◆ see the sun safely, lava made, a fire tornado, germs on your hand, microscopic swimmers & items magnified 10,000 times ◆ visit robot alley & extreme robotics ◆ push a pencil thru wood, learn a candle trick, see why physics is pun ◆ taste liquid nitrogen ice cream ◆ pet a giant millipede ◆ dig for shark teeth &...**Get Blasted in a Wind Tunnel!**

◆ At the **39 events** on Sports and Rec Row, you can try to climb the Beast and conquer the Tower ◆ try flat water kayaking, the bungee run, any many sport challenges ◆ get free medical/dental screenings ◆ see puppet shows ◆ meet 3 UM Coaches and 2010 Terps & get their autographs & pictures &...Attend the **FREE 3:30 PM 1st Spring Football Game!**

◆ At the **115 events** at the Terp Town Center, you can color pictures, make bubbles & a book, and crochet, craft & paint a turtle ◆ visit the kiddie carnival & 12 big-top shows ◆ see a balloon artist ◆ get a free book or get fingerprinted & photographed ◆ sign the Declaration of Independence!! ◆ have fun jumping on inflatables ◆ try the Bongo Board & origami ◆ fish for rubber duckies and win prizes ◆ guess the \$amount\$ & win a jar of \$money\$ &...Get your Photo Made with Kermit and Jim!

◆ In the **City of College Park Tent** that is located on McKeldin Mall, CP Arts Exchange will help you make an artsy button or badge!

AND, when you get hungry, have a Terrapin pan pizza, a chicken or crab cake sandwich, or a veggie burger & Boardwalk fries, or savor some of Sprouts vegan cuisine! ◆ graze a 24-foot soup & salad bar ◆ sip a Baltimore lemonade or fruit smoothie ◆ snack on sno-cones, funnel cakes, cotton candy & (at the Game) warm soft pretzels ◆ and finish with a UM Dairy ice cream cone ◆ **& YES!...all eating utensils, cups, plates, & napkins are compostable; cans & bottles will be recycled!**

To Print out a Personal Program to fit your own schedule, or for a Map of what's where, or for a complete listing of ALL the Maryland Day information, please contact (www.marylandday.umd or 1-877-UMTERPS).

"It Takes as much Courage to have Tried and failed as it Does to have Tried and Succeeded."

— Anne Morrow Lindbergh

THE UPCA IN APRIL

The **University Park Civic Association** meets monthly on the last Tuesday to plan upcoming events. Their meetings are held in Riverdale Presbyterian Church at 7 PM and anyone is welcome to attend. At their **next meeting on April 27th**, they will discuss the Town-wide Yard Sale to be held on Saturday, May 15th. Discussions will focus on ways to promote the sale both to Town residents who may wish to declutter and to shoppers who hope to find treasures among that clutter. They also will review the final details for their Stream Clean-UP event. Finally, the group will vote for new UPCA officers, which include the positions of President, Vice President, and Treasurer.

Their group's next event will be the **UPCA Stream Clean-UP** on Saturday, **April 10th** at 9 AM. All volunteers will meet in the Riverdale Presbyterian Church parking lot to get instructions and enjoy coffee, juice, and donuts before separating to pick up trash along the Town Stream. This is a popular event that has seen more than 80 people attend -- even during rainy weather! At their March 30th meeting, they planned to ensure that everything was ready for the Stream Clean-UP. They also were to discuss the Welcome Wagon program and ways to reach more new residents in a timely manner. For more information about the Civic Association, please contact UPCA Secretary Carol Cron (301-277-4718 or carol.cron@hotmail.com).



33rd UPCCC SPRING/SUMMER SALE

Summer is just around the corner, so remember the great opportunity the **University Park Children's Clothing Co-op** provides for purchasing quality "pre-washed and gently worn" spring and summer clothing for children from infants to teens. Featured items will include seasonal clothing and accessories, swim & rainwear, books, toys, videos/DVDs, baby/layette equipment, and maternity items.

The 2010 UPCCC Spring/Summer Sale will be held on Saturday, **May 1st** from 10 AM to 12 NOON at Riverdale Presbyterian Church (6513 Queens Chapel Road, UP). Please be aware that checks are accepted only from UP Town residents for amounts over \$40.00 and that purchases must be made separately in the various sale rooms. Persons who would like to be "Mailing-List members" for the 2010 Fall/Winter Sale, should submit their name, address, and 50¢ to any cashier when they are at the April sale. Mailing-List members receive a postcard allowing them to enter the sale at 9:30 AM, prior to the general public.

Consider being a part of this University Park tradition by volunteering to work as a cashier on Saturday morning in exchange for admission to the members-only shopping time on Friday, April 30th from 4-7 PM. For details, please call Kimberly Nugent (301-779-1149). For 33 years, this wonderful semi-annual community sale has afforded UP residents and a host of conscientious shoppers from near and far the perfect way to cut the cost of their children's clothing budget without ever setting foot in a store!



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

The **University Park Official Town NEWSLETTER** loves publishing the milestones of former and current UP families (births, weddings and obituary notices; graduations and honors; school, sports & community awards, etc.) and club or publicity notices for events of interest to all University Park residents. Please send articles to upnews@yahoo.com or to **Flo Harris, 6703 44th Avenue, UP 20782.**

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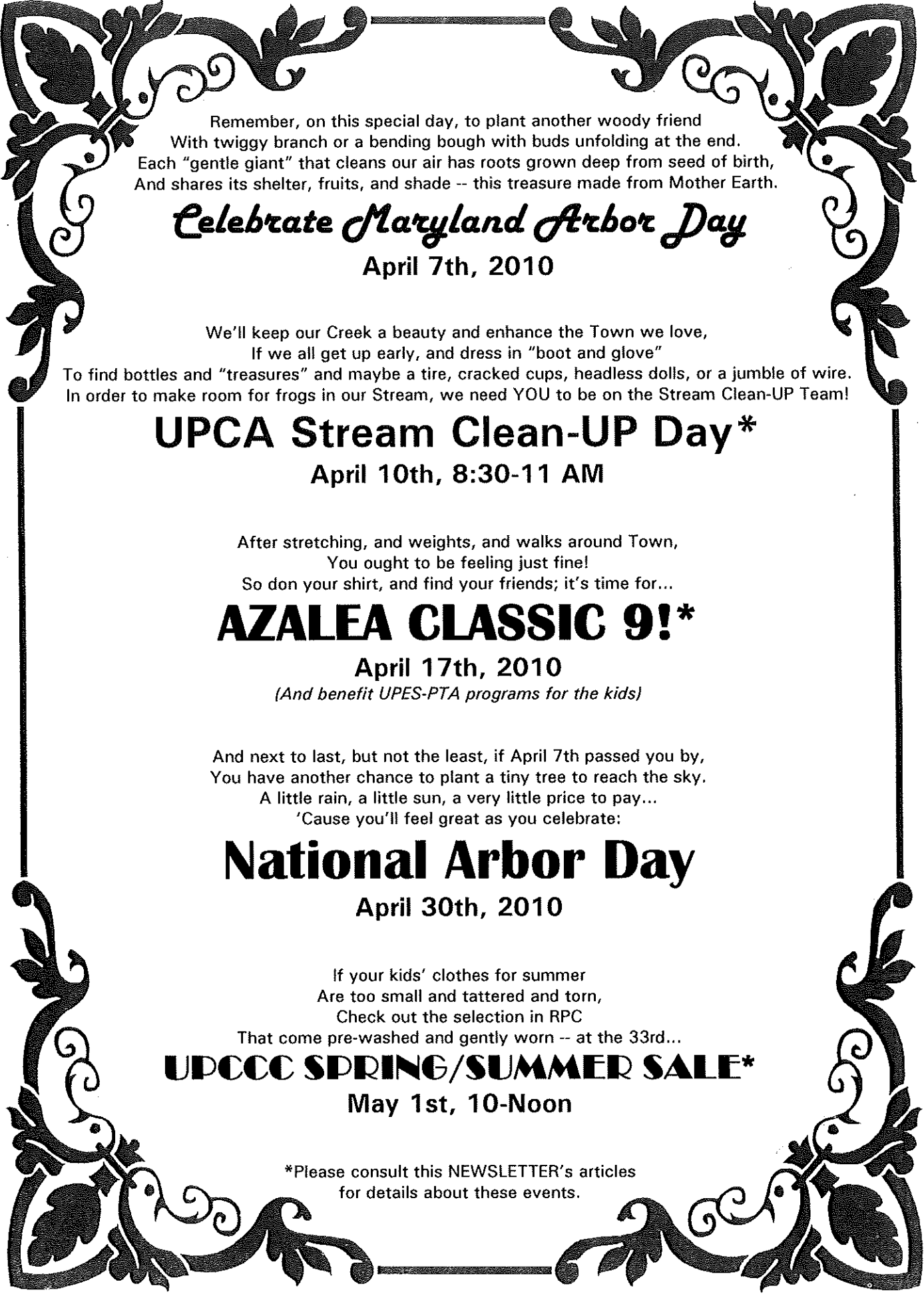
PGC Government Hot Line: 301-952-4810

LOST PET DATABASE

To register your pet, or report a lost or found pet, please call Linda Verrill (301-927-6743). To ensure that your pets are easily identifiable, always have them wear their tags or a microchip.



**UPCA
INFORMATION
FOR NEW
UP RESIDENTS**
Contact Jenn Mooney
jtmoondock@aol.com



Remember, on this special day, to plant another woody friend
With twiggly branch or a bending bough with buds unfolding at the end.
Each "gentle giant" that cleans our air has roots grown deep from seed of birth,
And shares its shelter, fruits, and shade -- this treasure made from Mother Earth.

Celebrate Maryland Arbor Day

April 7th, 2010

We'll keep our Creek a beauty and enhance the Town we love,
If we all get up early, and dress in "boot and glove"
To find bottles and "treasures" and maybe a tire, cracked cups, headless dolls, or a jumble of wire.
In order to make room for frogs in our Stream, we need YOU to be on the Stream Clean-UP Team!

UPCA Stream Clean-UP Day*

April 10th, 8:30-11 AM

After stretching, and weights, and walks around Town,
You ought to be feeling just fine!
So don your shirt, and find your friends; it's time for...

AZALEA CLASSIC 9!*

April 17th, 2010

(And benefit UPES-PTA programs for the kids)

And next to last, but not the least, if April 7th passed you by,
You have another chance to plant a tiny tree to reach the sky.
A little rain, a little sun, a very little price to pay...
'Cause you'll feel great as you celebrate:

National Arbor Day

April 30th, 2010

If your kids' clothes for summer
Are too small and tattered and torn,
Check out the selection in RPC
That come pre-washed and gently worn -- at the 33rd...

UPCCC SPRING/SUMMER SALE*

May 1st, 10-Noon

*Please consult this NEWSLETTER's articles
for details about these events.



9th Annual University Park Azalea Classic

5K Run & Walk/1 Mile Challenge Run*

Val Creighton Memorial 1K Family Fun Run
& Non-competitive Dog Walk, too!

Saturday, April 17, 2010

University Park, MD

All Proceeds to Benefit the University Park Elementary School PTA!

(*1 Mile Challenge Run is for runners age 8-14 and generously sponsored by Jean Pirovic of Long&Foster Realtors)

Course: Rolling hills along lovely, azalea-lined residential streets closed to traffic. Friendly volunteers and live music along the course to encourage and entertain you!

Registration: Register online: www.azaleaclassic.com or www.signmeupsports.com
Register by mail: one person per entry form. Please submit family entries together. Copy entry form as needed. REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY **APRIL 10th**.

Entry Fees: **5K:** \$18 thru 4/15; \$20 on Friday 4/16 & **\$22 on Race Day!** ** **Family rate:** \$50(4 t-shirts & entries) **1Mile:** \$15 (**NO 1 MILE registration on race day!**) ** **1K Fun Run:** \$15
Virtual Runner: \$15 donation - No registration necessary just pick-up your official race t-shirt Friday 4/16 @ University Park Elementary School (UPES) & pretend you ran!

Packet Pickup: Friday, April 16: 4-8 PM @ UPES ~ Saturday, April 17: 7-8:15 AM

Awards: 5k: Top 3 male/female finishers; first 3 in each 10-year age group. Medals for all 1 Mile and 1K runners. Exciting random prizes, great food, and a beautiful, multi-color 100% cotton tee shirt for every participant and volunteer!

RACE TIMES: **8:30am – 1 Mile; 8:45am – 1k Family Fun Run; 9:05am – 5k Run & Walk!**

Dog Walk: Untimed, noncompetitive dog walk on Friday, April 16. \$15 per person (includes t-shirt)

***** Entry Form **One Per Person*****

Name:

Age: Gender:

Address:

City: State:

Zip: Phone:

Tee-shirt Size: Adult ☐ M, ☐ L, ☐ XL; Child ☐ M, ☐ L

Email:

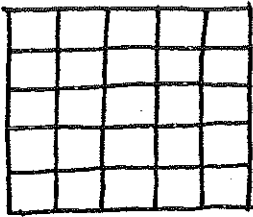
Payment: ☐ \$18,\$20,\$22-5K, ☐ \$15 -1 Mile (pre-register by 4/16) ☐ \$15 -1K ☐ \$15 -Dog Walk

I know that running is a potentially hazardous activity. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I waive for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, any and all claims and rights for damages against the race sponsors, representatives, successors and assigns on April 17, 2010, at the Azalea Classic including PVAUSAT&F for any and all injuries suffered by me in the said event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the event. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my name and image for any legitimate purpose without expecting model's remuneration.

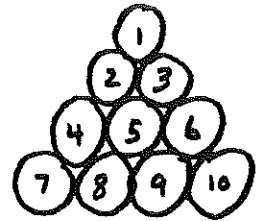
Signature of Participant (parent of guardian if runner is under 18 years of age)

Mail to: University Park 5K/1K, 6724 Baltimore Ave., University Park, MD 20782. Checks should be made payable to: UNIVERSITY PARK PTA



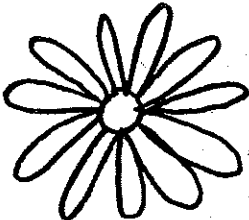


JUST FOR KIDS
DON'T LET APRIL SHOWERS GET YOU DOWN!
Here are some tricks and games to try
if April showers keep you inside.



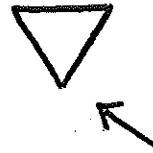
TRY PLAYING "WORD BLOCK"

Two or more people may play. Everyone makes a 25-square chart like the one above. Each person in turn gets to call out a letter. As a letter is called, each person decides where to place the letter on his/her own chart. (Try to set them up so you can spell words across and down your chart.) Proper names and 1 & 2-letter words don't count. When 25 letters have been called out, count your points like this: 5-letter word = 5 pts; 4-letter word = 3 pts; 3-letter word = 1 pt. Highest score wins.



THE BRIGHT LITTLE DAISY IS APRIL'S FLOWER.

It grows in abundance in meadows, but it is not Native to America; it was brought here from Europe. It has a sweet and simple appearance and was chosen as NC's state flower. Daisies are easy to draw: white petals & a yellow center.



TRICKY-TRICKY # 1

Set up 10 coins as shown above. By moving only three of them, can you make the triangle with its point downward?

TRICKY-TRICKY # 2

Can you write the number 1000 without lifting your pencil off of the paper? Here's How: Fold down the top of your paper and write the figure as shown. Then lift up the fold to see the 1000.



ARBOR DAY 2010

The 1st Arbor Day was held in Nebraska in 1872. More than one million trees were planted by settlers and homesteaders in response to a state proclamation asking that trees be planted to provide shade, shelter, fruit, fuel, and beauty for the treeless Nebraskan plains. Each state chooses its own Arbor Day. This year, **Maryland's Arbor Day is on _____th.** The national Arbor Day celebration will be on _____th.

**Celebrate Arbor Day by planting
a tree in your yard this year.**

ARBOR DAY

By DOROTHY BROWN THOMPSON

To plant a tree! How small the twig,
And I beside it -- very big.
A few years pass; and now the tree
Looks down on very little me.
A few years more -- it is so high
Its branches seem to touch the sky.
I did not know that it would be
So vast a thing to plant a tree.



← Look for the answers in this April
NEWSLETTER and fill in the blanks!

TREES -- DID YOU KNOW:

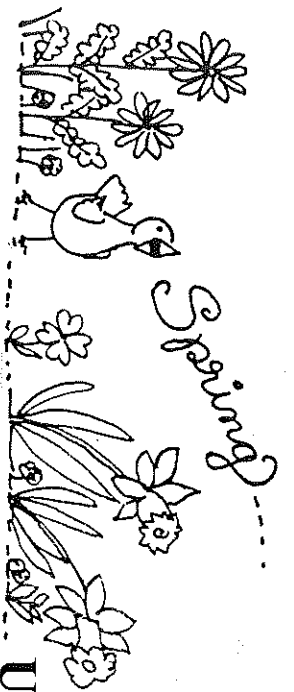
Cities without trees are "heat islands."
Having 100 million more mature trees in U.S. cities would save over \$2 billion per year in energy costs!

Windbreaks can lower your heating bills
by 10-20%!

**Shade trees planted east and west of
your home can cut cooling costs**
15-35%!

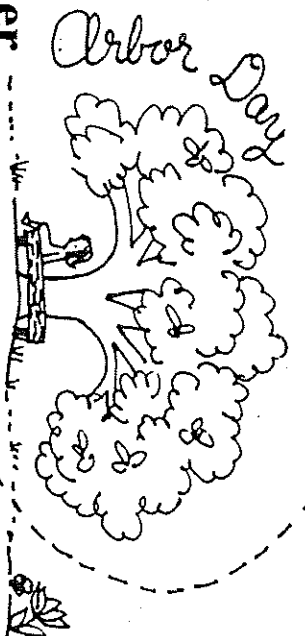
**Trees remove air pollution by lowering
air temperature, by retaining
particulates and through
respiration!**

Trees can increase your property value
by 15% or more!



April 2010

University Park Monthly Planner



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
April is National... 4 10 AM-2 PM (TP*FM) <i>Takoma Park Farmer's Market</i> Easter Sunday (GAC-MOLM, 2 PM)	Stress Awareness Month 5 Deadline to file or register for UP Town Election YARD WASTE RECYCLING	Poetry, and Garden Month 6	March 31 12:00 NOON Deadline for May NEWSLETTER	March 31 3-7 PM (RP*FM) <i>Riverdale Park Farmer's Market</i> Deadline for UPWC & Gaines Scholarships SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	2 CPAM NOON-4 PM "Paper Airplane Day" 3 PM - The Paper Airplane Derby GAC "Man of La Mancha" 8 PM (GAC-MOLM) (through April 10th) TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	3 GB Artful Afternoon, 1-4p 1p promptly: Egg Hunt 1-3p: Fairytale Workshop 3p: Katha Indian Dance Tales (GAC-MOLM, 8p) PGFCC 1-4 PM "Eggstravaganza"
11 (TP*FM) CPAB-OPH 3 PM "Instrument Petting Zoo"	12 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING YARD WASTE RECYCLING	13	14 UM "Arlene" 6 PM MCPAC 8 PM "Midsummer Night's Dream" (MCPAC-AND)	15 (RP*FM) (MCPAC-MIND, 8) 5a Day Deadline for Hedley Scholarship SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	16 (MCPAC-MIND, 8 PM) (GAC-FRE) "Feed & Fridge" 8p CPAB-OPH "The Garden" 7:30p Azalea Classic 4-8p UPES Dog Walk & Pack Pick-up CP-UPWC Rummage Sale Friday 9a-6p (Saturday 9a-2p) TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	17 (MCPAC-MIND, 8p) (GAC-F&F, 8p) CPAM "Re Open House" 1-4 PM CPAB-OPH "Garden Workshop" 10a AZALEA CLASSIC UPES-PIA 8:30 AM UM "Shadows" Talk & Opera (UM-S.O, 7:30 PM) HY-LL Books "The Alchemist" 3p
18 (TP*FM) (GAC-F&F, 2p) RHM "Green/Greens" 12-3:30p PGFCC "Soccer Clinic" 1-3p CPAM 1 PM "Air Dare Trivia Challenge" National Library Week (MCPAC-AND, 2 PM) (UM-S.T, 3p) (UM-S.O, 6p)	19 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING YARD WASTE RECYCLING	20 7:30-9 PM RPC UPHPA: Historic Plummer Family Films! UP 8 PM "After-8 Book Club" "The World Without Us" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	21 (UM-S.T, 6:30 PM) (UM-S.O, 7:30 PM)	22 (RP*FM) UPGB Great Decisions 7:30-9 PM "Russia+" Earth Day HY-LL Chess Club 7 PM SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	23 (UM-G) "Gillgamest" 8 PM (UM-ST, 6:30p; UM-SO, 7:30p) UPES "OPEN HOUSE" 8:30 to 10 AM CPAB-OPH 7:30 PM "Middle Eastern Dance" CP-HHS Silent Auction 7-10p TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	24 CPAM "Art Day" 11-4 MARYLAND DAY UMCP 10 AM-4 PM CPAM "Rocket Man" 1 PM RHM "Spring Luncheon" 1p
25 (TP*FM) (UM-G, 2p) (UM-S.T, 2 PM) (UM-S.O, 3 PM)	26 YARD WASTE RECYCLING	27 PP 10:15a & NOON "Aesop's Fables" PGFCC 5-7 PM "Family Game Night" UPCA Meeting, RPC, 7p TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	28 (UM-G, 7:30 PM) UM 8 PM "Repertoire Orchestra"	29 (RP*FM) (UM-G, 7:30 PM) Deadline for Write-in Candidacy SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	30 UM-SO "Tians" 8p (UM-G, 8p) 12:00 NOON Deadline for June NEWSLETTER Arbor Day USA TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	May 1 (UM-G, 2 & 8 PM) UPCC SPRING/SUMMER SALE RPC 10 AM-NOON May Day MCPAC "Jigsaw Jones" 11 AM



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